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Writing is a great way to communicate thoughts and feelings. For me, writing is a way to keep my thoughts together. There is something about seeing your thoughts on paper versus speaking. A person can edit their thoughts on paper that is great in a lot of ways. Once you say something, good or bad, you cannot take it back. Putting your words on paper gives you the opportunity to edit your words before the public hears what you have to say. I personally do not like to write but as a minister I have to write a lot. Being in ministry requires you to study and write sermons. Even though I do not like to write but I believe is a great tool. In this essay I would like to talk about my reasons for believing writing is a great tool. Three reasons why writing is a great tool are expressing feelings, being able to edit thoughts and descriptive writing.

Feelings can be expressed on paper. You can even sense the tone and mood of certain writings. For example, when someone is mad certain language is used. In today world, texting is a form of writing and you can tell by the text message how people feel. For example if a person is upset they may text in all capital letters and use exclamation points along with sarcastic language. Feelings are expressed a lot in poetry. I believe the writer wants the reader to feel what they are feeling when they wrote the poem.

Writing is a good tool because you can edit your thoughts. Sometimes we say and write things while we are upset, sad or even mad. If you say things while feeling these type of emotions, you may say things you will probably regret later. With writing you have chance to think about whether or not what you are saying will be something that you will actually want the reader to know. Or even if what you are saying will be received in the correct way. Writing gives you the opportunity to get all of your thoughts together to avoid hurt feelings and miscommunications.

Writing gives you a chance to be descriptive. This is an important tool for police officers when doing reports. You have to describe the scene of the crime and the suspects of a crime when doing a police report. The primary purpose of descriptive writing is to describe a person, place or thing in such a way that a picture is formed in the readers mind. I believe preachers do a great job of descriptive writing. Preachers do an exegetical analysis of a text. For example, they will talk about Jesus hanging on the cross and describing what he went through as if they were there to witness it.

In closing, you can tie all three of these points together when talking about thoughts and feelings. You can describe feelings and edit what you say because you have it documented. Even though I do not like to write, I feel that writing is very important to help get a message across. The bible says in Habakkuk 2:2 "Write the vision and make it plain upon the tables, that he may run that readeth it." In other words write out your thoughts and feelings because they can help others.